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## KEEP THESE THINGS IN MIND

**THE VALUE OF TIME.** Lost capital may be restored by diligent use of experience; time lost is lost forever.

**THE SUCCESS OF PERSEVERANCE.** "Keeping everlastingly at it" brings the hoped-for result.

**THE PLEASURE OF WORKING.** The only really unhappy, rich or poor, are the idle.

**THE DIGNITY OF SIMPLICITY.** When the "frills" are off, the man is "on."

**THE WORTH OF CHARACTER.** In the last analysis the only real value is a clear conscience.

**THE POWER OF KINDNESS.** It wins when all coercive measures fail.

**THE INFLUENCE OF EXAMPLE.** Practice does more than precept in showing the way.

**THE OBLIGATION OF DUTY.** Your concern should not so much be what you get, as what you do for what you get.

**THE WISDOM OF ECONOMY.** The man who saves makes more than he saves.

**THE VALUE OF PATIENCE.** "All things come to him who waits."

**THE IMPROVEMENT OF TALENT.** Talent is the only capital which compounds itself by exercise.

**THE JOY OF ORIGINATING.** The happiest man is he who does the best thing first. The creative instinct should be encouraged for the pure joy found in its demonstrations. The subsequent financial reward brings no such pleasure as that first sense of having made a new thing or conceived a new idea.—Juvenile Instructor

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# REVELATION

A VERY great atheist criticised the Christian beliefs because, according to the churches he knew, the great revelation God had for man was given first by Jesus Christ during His lifetime on the earth, in the meridian of time, and not to the first man. He asked, "If God had a great revelation to give, why did He wait so long?"

Though the atheist apparently did not know it, God did not wait "so long": Kirsopp Lake, professor emeritus of Ecclesiastical History of Harvard University, writes in the introduction to his translation of the "Ecclesiastical History" of Eusebius: "Eusebius maintains that the teachings of Christianity were neither new nor strange . . . The student of church history will have little difficulty in recognising that this teaching is in direct line of Justin Martyr, Aristides, Clement of Alexandria, and Origen." Also the writer of "Second Element" says, "And the books of the prophets and the apostles say that the Church is not of today, but from the beginning."

If the priesthood or authority to act in the name of God, the ordinances of the gospel and the gospel teachings were given to man "from the beginning," would it be necessary to reveal them again? Would not the authority of the priesthood and the "deposit of faith," once entrusted to them, be handed down from generation to generation? Certainly, unless man should fail to observe, heed and preserve them.

Nevertheless, according to Irenaeus (Irenaeus 3: 11, 8; 4: 9, 3), God gave in succession the four "testaments" "from Adam to Noah, from Noah to Moses, from Moses to Jesus Christ, and again by our Lord Jesus Christ." And in the time of the Saviour, beyond the prophecies that He would be born in the world, little was known by the Jews of the Gospel plan and nothing by the rest of mankind.

By JAMES L. BARKER

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But, if the Gospel plan, the "deposit of faith," had not been lost, would no further revelation have been necessary and consequently would all revelation have ceased?

If he knew the revelations given to Adam, would Abraham have had no need for new revelation? An examination of a revelation given to Abraham will make evident the answer:

"And God said unto Abraham" . . . "I will bless her (Sarah), and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her" (Genesis 17) "Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the earth shall be blessed in him?" (Genesis 18)

In part, this revelation has to do with Abraham and his wife Sarah. It is a personal revelation. On the other hand, it concerns all Israel and all mankind: did not his descendants preserve the worship of Jehovah when all other nations were sunk in idolatry? And in him, from whom Mary the mother of Jesus was to descend, were not all nations to be blessed?

Even though Abraham had had all the revelations given before his time, he and the world have missed a great blessing if these special things had not been revealed unto him.

And were the revelations given to Adam, to Abraham and other earlier prophets all that Moses needed? Certainly not:

"And Moses kept the flock of his father in law" . . . "And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of the bush" . . . "And the Lord said I have surely seen the afflictions of my people which are in Egypt." "And I am come down





James L. Barker

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In this third of a series of articles prepared for the readers of the *Millennial Star*, one further problem that has confronted Christendom for many centuries is discussed by President James L. Barker of the French Mission.

to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians." "Come thou therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt." "And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you." (Exodus 3)

It was not enough for Moses to know the revelations given to others before his time. That was history, but he had a work to do: to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt. For that he needed to be clothed with authority, to be invested with wisdom, and to have divine guidance. He needed more than the "deposit of faith," even if it had been handed down to him unchanged.

In the time of the Saviour, there had been no revelation for a period of four

hundred years; the religious leaders of the Jews had the scriptures of the Old Testament and the traditions of their fathers, but, as Mark quotes the Saviour, "Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Mark 7: 6, 7) In the interpretation of the scriptures, the Pharisees and the Sadducees relied only on scholarship and tradition, and rejected their Redeemer.

Even while Jesus was with them, His disciples needed revelation: "But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my father which art in heaven." (Matthew 16: 17-19) Jesus taught His disciples for three years, and after His resurrection He taught them for forty days more. After such divine instruction would they still need revelation? He "commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptised with water; but ye shall be baptised with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. . . . But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." (Acts 1: 4-8) For their work as "witnesses," the revelations given to others and even to them previously, were not sufficient.

Moreover, they needed revelation for the interpretation of doctrine: at the conclusion of the council of Jerusalem, it is recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, "It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, men that have hazarded their lives for the name of

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# *President and Mrs. Boyer Return Home this month*



FOR nearly four years members and friends throughout the British Isles have enjoyed associating with President and Sister Boyer. This month they will return to their home in Utah. Their influence has been strongly felt from Aberdeen to Brighton and from Norwich to Belfast. The personal interest they have had in all whom they have been able to contact has earned for them love and respect.

President and Sister Boyer are true examples of the spirit of the Gospel in action. Their lives have been devoted to the service of the Lord in whatever capacity they have been called upon to labour. They were married in 1919 and shortly after having their second child, President Boyer came on his first mission to Great Britain. This was during the years 1923-1925. At this time he laboured in the Nottingham District where he served as district president for eighteen months.

Between his two missions President Boyer held both stake and ward offices in the Church. For several years he served as a counsellor and then bishop of the 2nd Ward in Springville, Utah, his home town. He has always taken an active part in civic affairs,

serving on the Utah State Legislature and as mayor of Springville. His activities both within and outside of the Church have been characterised by an inherent ability of leadership. This has been one of his most notable qualities during his presidency over the British Mission.

Sister Boyer has likewise played an active part in Church activities throughout her life. She has served in Relief Society and Primary work both in stake and ward offices. She cheerfully performs any task which she may be assigned and is always ready to help those who are in need.

The British Mission is the largest in the Church as measured by the number of missionaries and branches. It is no easy job to visit each of the fourteen districts and personally talk with 220 missionaries once each month. Yet this is the schedule that President Boyer has followed for the past years. It is estimated that since his arrival in 1946 he has travelled nearly 200,000 miles over the British Isles. He has presided over the British Mission longer than any other president since the founding of the mission in 1837, having served in this capacity for three years and ten months. The next

longest term was that of Elder George Teasdale who served three years and nine months as mission president over sixty years ago.

To attempt to detail the amount of work that has been accomplished in Great Britain by President Boyer over the years would be impossible. Yet some idea of this can be gained by observing the progress of the mission while under his supervision. Some of these facts are noted below.

It has been said that it is good for us to think no grace or blessing truly ours till we are aware that God has blessed someone else with it through us. This truly has been the objective of President and Sister Boyer through-

out their lives. To share and to give whether it has been of their time, talents or sustenance has been their desire.

Many words of praise could be said about President and Sister Boyer for their outstanding service to the British Mission. The personal characteristics which have made them loved by all who have known them could likewise be extolled. Yet these words could not adequately describe the feeling which the mission has for this fine couple.

We wish them happiness and success in whatever may be their work in the coming years and thank them for their love and labours in Great Britain.

## Progress in the British Mission

Mission and Branch Statistics	1949	1948	1947	1946
Number of members in mission * ..	5,846	5,609	5,883	5,818
Number of baptisms .. .. .	366	315	181	66
Number of converts baptised ..	326	238	151	27
Number of organised branches ..	75	68	63	48
Number of new auxiliaries organised	25	46	63	6
Number of auxiliaries:				
Sunday Schools .. .. .	75	65	54	45
Relief Societies .. .. .	61	56	48	35
M.I.A.'s .. .. .	64	59	40	+
Primaries .. .. .	51	47	14	14
Percentage of membership paying fast offerings .. .. .	13	10	9	+
Number of tithe payers .. .. .	1,305	770	761	+
<b>Missionary Statistics</b>				
Number of missionaries in mission..	215	214	164	78
Number of personal interviews mission president has made with missionaries .. .. .	1,908	1,843	1,142	178
Number of meetings over which mission president has presided..	240	279	234	185
Copies of Book of Mormon lent ..	5,308	2,346	1,026	28
Copies of Book of Mormon sold ..	903	853	449	77
Average hours per day per missionary spent in tracting, cottage meetings, and other meetings ..	6.4	4.9	4.7	2.5
Average number of cottage meetings held per missionary per month	8.7	5.1	2.5	2.2

\* Deductions for emigration have been made.

† No records available.

# *President and Mrs. Stayner Richards*



**P**RESIDENT Stayner Richards, newly appointed president of the British Mission, succeeding President Selvoy J. Boyer, arrives in Great Britain during the early part of this month. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Richards.

President Richards is well acquainted with the British Mission for he filled a two-year mission to this country between the years 1908 and 1910. Many of the members in the Newcastle area will remember him for his ability to expound the principles of the Gospel. It was in this district that he laboured during most of his mission.

The new British Mission head has a long record of prominent service in the Church. For four years he served as a counsellor in the Sugar House Ward Bishopric and then became the first bishop of the Highland Park Ward, serving for 12 years in this position. He then became a member of the Granite Stake presidency for eight years and for two years served as a member of the high council of the newly-created Highland Stake. In 1937 he was chosen president of the Highland Stake which position he held at the time of his call last month to preside over this mission.

President Richards is a prominent



Salt Lake City real estate man and has been a builder of homes in that city since 1910. He is a native of Salt Lake City and was born on December 20th, 1885, a son of Dr. Stephen L. Richards and Emma Louise Stayner Richards. He is a brother of Elder Stephen L. Richards of the Council of the Twelve.

He was married to Jane Foote Taylor in December, 1911, and they are the parents of six children.

In 1907 President Richards graduated from the University of Utah. During his senior year at that institution he

was student body president.

The outside interests of President Richards are many but one of his favourite hobbies is sports of all description which take up a good deal of his leisure time. He is at present a director of the Deseret Gym. Added to his many pastimes might well be the playing with nearly a dozen grandchildren.

A warm welcome is extended to President and Sister Richards by the British Mission with the hope and prayer that their sojourn in this land will be a prosperous and a pleasant one.

## *Play the Fool and Pay the Price*

**Y**OU can never get away from yourself. You might as well try to escape from your shadow as to escape from yourself. You are going to live with yourself for a long time, probably forever.

There is no way yet devised by which to cheat nature. Play the fool and pay the price. Every now and again somebody thinks he can do what nobody else has ever done. He can outwit nature and cheat the law. He can have his fling and not pay the fare. But all the while the conductor is laughing in his sleeve at the simpleton and in an hour he knoweth not, he is hailed to judgment.

A clean life has the endorsement of human civilisation. It pays to live straight. Why wait until you are scorched to admit that fire burns? The sensible thing to do is to learn something from race experience.

If you want a sound body, live straight. If you court success, behave yourself. If you desire happiness, centre right; and human life centres right only as it centres in God. —Author unknown

### SPRING DISTRICT CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Norwich - - -	March 5	Leeds - - - -	April 23
Birmingham - -	March 12	Sheffield - - -	April 30
Scottish - - -	March 19	Manchester - - -	May 7
Welsh - - - -	March 26	Nottingham - - -	May 14
Hull - - - -	April 2	Irish - - - -	May 21
Bristol - - -	April 9	Liverpool - - -	May 28
Newcastle - - -	April 16	London - - -	June 4

In all districts there will be three sessions, meeting at 11.0 a.m., 2.0 and 4.0 p.m. The first meeting will be for Priesthood and Relief Society and the others will be general session. The public is invited to attend all of the meetings.

# Message from the *Mission* *Presidency*

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of the last apostle. Men "transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, and broke the everlasting covenant" (Isaiah 24: 5), and the final result was the loss of the priesthood from the earth. With the binding force of God non-existent on the earth the people became confused until finally the ages of darkness prevailed.

For over a thousand years the earth reeled to and fro with every kind of doctrine, but through the love and mercy of the Lord the earth was visited with the Holy Priesthood once again. Some time during 1829 after the month of May the ancient apostles visited the Prophet Joseph Smith and his associate, Oliver Cowdery. Peter, James and John bestowed upon these men the Holy Ghost and the Keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. Joseph Smith, a prophet of God, presented to the world this wonderful gift when he successfully restored the Church in its fullness.

Today the male members of the Church possess this most precious gift if they live worthy to receive it. We have the powers of the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us learn to be faithful stewards and in righteousness do whatever work we might be called upon to perform. The responsibility is great; however, we have assurance of our Heavenly Father's help. The words of Nephi ring true from our own experience: "I know that the Lord giveth no commandments unto the children of men, save he shall prepare a way for them that they may accomplish the things which he commandeth them." (1 Nephi 3: 7) With this promise may we as priesthood members work hard and protect continually this precious gift that is given to us of God.



**T**HE prophets and apostles of Jesus from the beginning of time glorified God and built up His Kingdom by the Power that was committed unto them by the Lord. This power was called the priesthood, and in all ages it has been the most cherished Gift of God to man. In the ancient church the priesthood holders guarded this power with all their might, mind, and strength because they knew and fully understood the importance of it. The realisation of its power came to the apostles of old when they confessed, by the mouth of Peter, that Jesus was the Christ. The Saviour gave the following commission to those that were blessed with the priesthood. To Peter the Saviour said, "And I will give unto thee the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matt. 16: 19) With this commission the apostles went forth in every nation healing the sick, casting out devils, speaking in tongues, and working the miracles of the Lord. Through the use of this priesthood they became humble, effective, sincere workers in the Church of Jesus Christ.

The history of the Christian Church proves to the truth seeker that this power, or the priesthood, was taken from the earth shortly after the death

# YOUR GOLD AND GREEN QUEENS

## Manchester District

**A** Ttractive Joan Waddington, 1950 Gold and Green Ball Queen for the Manchester District, is seventeen and has been a member of the Rochdale Branch since birth. She has always been extremely active and of great worth to a growing branch. Her charming personality and pleasant smile are admired and respected by all her associates in the Church and without. Her gift in making and keeping friends has been devoted to spreading the Gospel among her associates.



Her talents are many; presently she is assistant branch chorister. She has always been active in music and drama. This year she is president of a Gleaner group and under her leadership this group bound their Gleaner Sheaf, being the first in the district. She teaches in the Sunday School and is an officer in both the Primary and M.I.A. auxiliaries.

Miss Waddington is a typical Latter-day Saint girl: beautiful, charming, talented, energetic and devoted to her family and church; a fine example of the Latter-day Saint way of life.

## Bristol District

**T**HE Grand Hotel was the colourful setting in which Mary Jennifer Middleton was presented with a beautiful orchid and crowned Queen of the Bristol District M.I.A. Gold and Green Ball of 1950. President Selvoy J. Boyer officiated in the coronation ceremony.

Miss Middleton is an ardent worker in all activities of the Cheltenham Branch. Especially is she noted for her fine piano playing and singing abilities. Typical of the high standards of a real Latter-day Saint, Miss Middleton will continue to spread the Gospel message by being a living example and will thus bring to pass the blessing promised

her by President Boyer when he placed the crown upon her head and stated: "If you will always live up to the M.I.A. standards you will always be Queen."



Attractive, industrious and cheerful, Miss Middleton takes an active part in Sunday School, M.I.A. and Relief Society. At present she is secretary for the Cheltenham Sunday School.



# Is this Life — Death?

"Who knows that 'tis not life which we call death, and death our life on earth?"—Euripides.

By MARTIN C. NALDER

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THIS passage, written by a great Greek playwright, expresses a concept of life and death which is a little different from the one many people have, and yet, in some ways, is more in keeping with the teachings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ than the normal view of these experiences. The early Greeks were great philosophers, and as usual with thoughtful people, they pondered over the true meaning of two of the most important events of mortal existence: life and death. Four hundred years or more before Christ was born, Euripides asked the questions: Can this life which we live here on earth actually be death? Can the existence which follows the death of our mortal bodies actually be life?

It is doubtful that Euripides ever knew the answers to his questions, but since then, many people have thought about them; since then the ministry of Jesus Christ has come and passed; since then the Church of Jesus Christ has been restored through the Prophet Joseph Smith. These great events have opened up new vistas of understanding, so that now we cannot only comprehend a little better what Euripides meant, but we can also answer his questions.

First of all, it is necessary to establish definitions for the words **life** and **death**. Life is usually thought of as the period of time from birth to death—death, therefore, is the end of life, the final cessation of bodily functions as we know them. As far as they go, these definitions serve quite suitably for everyday use, and yet the scope of these terms should really be large. The dictionary defines life as "existence," which broadens its useage quite a great deal, but still doesn't give the complete picture.

Members of the Church of Jesus

Christ of Latter-day Saints believe that all things were created spiritually before they were created on this earth, and in this pre-existence we dwelt in the presence of God. We developed in this state until it became necessary for us to take bodies upon ourselves in order to continue our progression. Adam and Eve were placed on the earth to provide these bodies. Through the transgression of Adam, temporal death was brought about, but we are told, "... nevertheless there was a space granted unto man in which he might repent; therefore this life became a probationary state; a time to prepare to meet God; . . ." (Alma 12: 24) In the 76th Section of the Doctrine and Covenants we have recorded the great vision of the degrees of glory, and we are told about those who will inherit the Celestial or highest kingdom: "**These shall dwell in the presence of God and his Christ forever and ever.**" (D. and C. 76: 62) We also read, "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." (John 17: 3)

From these passages, it would seem that the word **life**, in its most exalted use, means **dwelling in the presence of God**. Death, defined by the dictionary as the "absence of life," would therefore become the absence of the presence of God, or the state of not inheriting His kingdom or dwelling with Him.

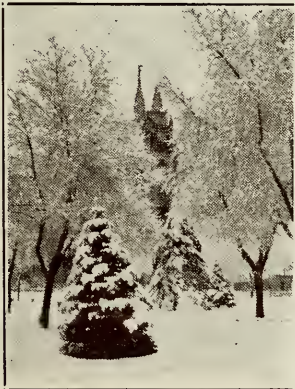
If we accept these definitions, the first deaths we know of were when Lucifer and his host were cast out of heaven never to return. "... An angel of God who was in authority in the presence of God, who rebelled against the Only Begotten Son whom the Father loved and who was in the bosom of the Father, was thrust down from the presence of God and the



Son, and was called Perdition, for the heavens wept over him—he was Lucifer, a son of the morning.” (D. and C. 76: 25-26) For him and his followers there is no forgiveness. They must endure an eternal death because they cannot ever return to God’s presence. They are “the only ones on whom the second death shall have any power; yea, verily, the only ones who shall not be redeemed in the due time of the Lord, after the sufferings of his wrath.” (D. and C. 76: 37-38)

Each one of us, following the same line of thought, died our first death when our spirits were given bodies and we left heaven to come to earth and begin our period of trial. In order to begin this life which we now enjoy, therefore, each and every one of us died—we were cut off from the direct presence of God.

The Fall of Adam and Eve made it impossible for us to return to the presence of God unless an atonement was made. Without the mission of Jesus Christ we would also have suffered eternal death, always dwelling away from the light of the Father, but through Christ’s victory over the tomb, the bands of mortal death were destroyed forever. It again became possible for us to obtain eternal life. One obstacle remained even then, however. Each of us had to earn this blessing. Each of us had to show by his life that he was worthy of being a son or daughter of God forever.



Most of us find great joy and happiness in this world. Few of us are anxious to end this existence and begin another, and yet when that time does come, we should be grateful. Our period of trial will be over, and if we have lived mortal lives according to the plan of God, then with our death we begin an eternal life and will never again be removed from our Father in Heaven who is the source of all life.

It is this knowledge which makes mortal death so much easier for those who have the truths of the Gospel. It is not possible to remove the sadness entirely from death, but to us death is a temporary separation from someone we love—nothing more—and the unhappiness is a result of being removed from their association for awhile. We know as positively as we know anything that we will live with our loved ones for eternities to come. We will have our husbands, wives, parents, and children with us. We will have then the greatest happiness we’ve ever known because we will never be separated again. This is the life we are striving for, and this can only come about when we have proven ourselves worthy of it here in this world. Mortal death only ends this trial—a trial which in itself should give us great joy—and then we are blessed or punished according to the reward we have earned.

Babcock once wrote, “I heard that God had called your mother home to heaven. It will seem more than ever like home to you now.” Where those we love dwell, there is the place that life to its fullest can be enjoyed. Where God is, where the Saviour is, where our families are—there is happiness forever. All these things begin with mortal death, and yet people look upon it as the end of everything. It should be looked upon as the start of a new life far more glorious than the one we have now, for those who “endure to the end.”

In this sense, Euripides was far beyond his time when he posed his

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*The Burnley Branch shows us that . . .*

## *It Can Be Done*

TO surmount the many problems which confront any branch it takes the honest effort of each member. Particularly is this true of a small branch which has lost most of its members through emigrations and a division of the branch into two. This is the story that can be told of the Burnley Branch in the Liverpool District. During the last two years a total of thirty-eight members has emigrated from the branch and in April of 1949 the Nelson Branch was created which transferred all but a few from the once large Burnley Branch.

Left to carry on the many activities of this active branch were eight faithful members. It seemed that things went pretty slow at first following this drastic break-up but this condition was not to last long. In July, Ernest Cook was appointed branch president with Albert Pickup and Elder Chesley Pierson as his counsellors. These three brethren composed the entire priesthood membership of the branch with the exception of Elder Pierson's companion, Elder Jerry Rose.

There is an ancient English proverb which says, "I'll go myself, and I'll see to it" are the best lads the farmer ever had." This attitude characterised the individual members of the branch in their efforts to put the branch back on its feet and to build the activities to a high pitch.

There seemed to be no end to the energy that these brethren and sisters emulated. One of the first jobs that was undertaken was the remodelling of their chapel. This building was purchased by the Church back in 1935 and was dedicated by President Heber J. Grant in 1937.

The chapel is situated on a main highway. It was realised that by brightening the exterior of the building, the attention of the people of

Burnley as well as those passing through the city would be drawn to the fact that there was a branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in that city.

The project of giving the building a new face was started during the autumn holidays. The priesthood members and several investigators and friends turned out to give the "pointing" of the building the undercoat of paint. The ladies of the Relief Society helped paint until it was time to prepare the noon meal, which incidentally, when tasted would have made the days a success in itself. The finishing coats were given during succeeding Wednesday afternoons and evenings. Also given a new under and top coat of paint were the window and door frames, the metal railings and gate, the stone work around the doorway, and the eaves and drains.

The carpentry work for the sign which was placed over the doorway was a task performed by the branch members and the lettering and painting was done by a professional sign-writer, Mr. Johnson, who volunteered to do the job at half-price.

Re-doing the interior of the chapel was next on the job itinerary, which work is now in progress. The floor has been stained and varnished and the ceiling is being replastered.

It was during the repairing of the exterior of the building that several children living in the immediate area were contacted. Some of these young folk helped in the painting, and on the following Tuesday four of them came out to the first Primary, organised by Elder Pierson. From this number, the Primary gradually grew and now has thirty actively-enrolled children attending, only two of which are children of members.

Many new friends have been made as a result of this remodelling project. Numerous people have stopped as they have passed the building and remarked that the chapel looked very smart and very "inviting." Some people living across from the chapel stated that they had never noticed what church it was until the new sign was placed over the doorway. The local newspaper, "The Burnley Express," with a circulation of about 90,000 has printed several little articles about the branch

been approximately £8. For a professional company to do the same job, it is estimated that the cost would exceed £200. All of the expenses of the remodelling were paid from funds raised by the branch members obtained from donations and extra work. The priesthood, for example, took over the janitorial work of the building and turned the proceeds over to this work fund.

The Relief Society held a sale of

before



after

and its activities during the past few months, their attention having been drawn to the branch because of the new appearance of the building. The older members state that during the last six months there has been more favourable publicity in the Burnley press than at any period of the Church's history.

The branch members have thoroughly enjoyed this work. The friendships of the members have grown much stronger. Over 275 man-hours have gone into the work thus far. The total cost of the project to date has

work at which they collected over £20. Two hundred people were in attendance. They are using this money to furnish their room with a carpet, curtains and easy chairs.

The Burnley Branch, although few in number, is an example of what can be done through the industry of the individual under the influence of the Spirit of the Lord. Congratulations are due them for their splendid accomplishments as well as to all similar branches that meet their problems squarely and surmount them in a like manner.





**T**OO many homemakers are slaves to their kitchens. How many women spend so long preparing meals that they find no time to keep their homes neat? Or how many make such a chore of house cleaning that their families are neglected? I think we all admire and envy the person who can accomplish her daily tasks well and still enjoy her children, make a few social calls, work in her church, or follow an educational or cultural pursuit. We know everybody has the same amount of time, 24 hours per day; yet in this given time there are always those that accomplish so much more than others. Management, I think you will agree, is the key to efficient homemaking.

It is an accepted truth that working according to a certain plan is the only effective method of accomplishing a purpose. What would happen to an architect if he did not use a blue print? Or what end would an engineer attain if he had no plan to follow? Surely, if homemakers would spend a little time to plan the day's or the week's activities—then follow that schedule—they also could make better use of their 24 hours per day.

I can almost hear you saying, "But a homemaker has too many emergencies to ever follow a schedule. How do I know whether Jimmie will have the flu or whether callers will arrive unexpectedly for tea?" Well, planning your routine duties will allow more time for emergencies. Why not begin by planning all your meals for a week in advance? Then make out a market list. (This simplifies shopping also—you'll have no more running to the shop to get something for tea tonight or to pick up an article you forgot to

By LORAIN MOSS

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purchase. It will eliminate daily queues because you'll do enough shopping to last a week.) A little thought and planning will do wonders for the meals themselves—in flavour combinations and in price. When you are using the oven for one dish, why not plan the rest of the meal so that you can get the maximum amount of good from heating the oven? Let's take this dinner menu for example: Roast, baked potatoes, peas, cabbage slaw and apple Betty. The roast, potatoes and apple Betty may be prepared early, baked together, and forgotten until time to eat. You can put it in the oven to cook while you do your washing, or leave it while you go out to church or shopping; it's nice to have dinner prepared when you return. There are many such menus you can use for busy days—dinners and teas that take very little preparing, but are excellent meals. You'll find that planning even to this extent will lighten your load considerably.

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Recipes this month are of a little different nature; I hope they will help you with your household management for your spring cleaning.

#### Wallpaper and Distemper Cleaner

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup flour	2 tb. vinegar
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup water	2 tb. ammonia
2 tb. salt	1 tb. kerosene

Combine and cook over hot water. Stir as long as possible, then take a small piece in hand and roll between fingers until it does not stick to fingers. Knead in hands until it is elastic.

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# The Children's Page

By IDA MOCKLI

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ONCE upon a time there lived a humble man named Valentine.

He wanted most of all to serve God and his fellow men, so he spent much of his time studying the Bible and thinking of what would be best to do.

One day as Valentine sat musing, a voice within him said clearly: "Do the little things, Valentine; therein lies a blessing." "What are the little things?" asked Valentine. But he heard no more; that was the lesson he must learn for himself. He arose wearily and began to work among his flowers in the garden, all the time wondering about the strange voice and the message it had brought to him. "Do the little things, Valentine; therein lies the blessing."

As he repeated this over and over to himself, the flowers seemed to become more beautiful and fragrant than ever before. Valentine made little dainty bouquets and gave them to the children who passed on their way to school.

He loved children and was very kind to them. In time he came to know the birthdays of all the children in the village, and he would hang on their gates little gifts he had made for them. Everyone thought of him as a friend.

By and by he grew old, and one morning when the children went to his garden, Valentine was not there. That night he quietly and peacefully passed to the Great Beyond. He had a smile on his face because he had made so many people happy through doing little things. After he had gone, people often spoke of him, remembering how much he had done to make others happy. They wished to remember his birthday, too, as he had remembered theirs. They said, "Let us give messages of love to our friends on Valentine's birthday." So ever since, people give Valentines on the 14th of February to make each other happy.

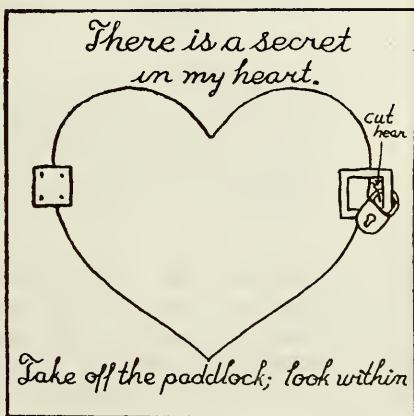
## LOCKED HEART VALENTINE

WHITE cardboard and black and red construction paper are the materials needed for this valentine.

Two hearts are cut from red paper and the first one is pasted upon a square of white cardboard. From the black paper cut out a hinge; two open squares and a padlock (as shown in the illustration).

Place the second heart above the first one and attach it by pasting the hinge at the left, so that the heart will open. At the right and at the edge of each heart paste an open square, so that one will be just above the other when the hearts are closed together. In the upper curve of the padlock make a cut all the way through, and this will allow the slipping on and off of the padlock when putting it on or taking it off the squares.

When the padlock is taken off and the upper heart laid back, this motto will be found lettered on the inner heart, I LOVE YOU.



## Love and Life

**T**HROUGHOUT His ministry, Christ was harassed by the learned scribes and others who sought to "entangle" Him, but never once did He fail to answer all questions without hesitation and in a short, concise manner. Always the interrogators were left without further comment, save it be to agree with the words which He spoke.

On one occasion He was asked by one of the schemers, who would have the Master say something which would condemn Him: "Which is the great commandment in the law?" His memorable answer was in effect: Love your God, first of all, and secondly, but equal in importance, love your neighbour. The universality of these two laws is made clear when He added: "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

In Nephi's vision in which he beheld the book that was "to come forth from the hand of the Jews," he saw how many of the plain and precious things that were contained therein were to be taken away. This vision referred to the coming forth of the New Testament and the subsequent departure from its teachings. Through latter-day revelation the true teachings that were given to the world by Jesus Christ have again been established and we now have an understanding of the significance and purpose of life. We are told that the purpose of this existence is to obtain **joy**, to **progress** in knowledge, ability and wisdom, and to **glorify God**. To understand the part which the "Great Commandment" plays in the attainment of these objectives will make less difficult their realisation.

**Happiness** in this life is something that we all are seeking but too often true happiness is confused with that which is only temporary in nature. It has been said that there is one way of attaining what we may term happiness; it is by a sincere and unrelaxing activity for the happiness of others. I think that this can be verified by our own experience. Strange but true it is that the objects which we ardently pursue bring little happiness when gained; most of our pleasures come from unexpected sources, generally as a direct result of some kindness we have done for others. True joy in life will come to us if we will keep our personal ambitions as a secondary motivation.

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints have been blessed with the simple Gospel truths which can bring happiness to all. Great joy is derived from sharing these truths with others. A prerequisite for delivering the Gospel message is love—love of God and fellow men. Love is the essence of happiness.

The doctrine of individual eternal **progress** has distinguished and set this Church apart from other religions in the theological world. Much of the development of the people within the Church organisation can be attributed to this doctrinal incentive. Personal development, the Lord has told us, is a primary purpose of this life. Yet it is somewhat ironic that if we have this as the self-centered purpose for our actions, we will fail in building our characters. The Lord said that the principle of love of God and neighbour is the foundation of all the laws. Personal progress is no exception.

John Bunyan once made the rather humorous but impressively truthful statement: "A man there was, and they called him mad; the more he gave, the more he had." So it is with us if we will love our fellow men and strive to serve them. "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again," said Christ. Certainly we cannot do evil to others without doing it to ourselves and contrariwise we can do no good without receiving good ourselves. Through service in love we gain our greatest personal development.

To **glorify God** is a third purpose of our existence here. Our Heavenly Father has told us that His work and glory is to bring to pass our immortality and eternal life. Yet in conformity to the law which He has given us, this work is done in the spirit of love for His earthly children; it is, therefore, our duty to exercise love for him. Without this love we cannot justly call upon His guidance in our daily lives. We must do more than keep His commandments to the letter. Our only actions that are acceptable to God are those that are performed in the right spirit—the spirit of love.

The first two commandments are basic in whatever we do. Our service to God and man must be filled with love in our hearts, void of self-aggrandisement, in order that we might obtain the blessings that are promised and which will surely follow compliance to these laws.—HUGH S. WEST



# The Church in Europe

By WM. FLINT DICKSON  
European Mission Secretary



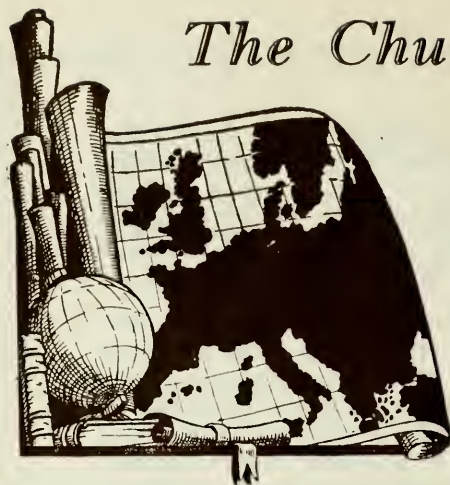
tunity he has had to meet with those missionaries since they have been permitted to labour in Germany.

While visiting in Berlin, President Sonne inspected the new chapel being constructed there. Much progress has been made since he saw it last July and by this spring it is hoped to have the building completed and ready for dedication. The chapel will seat about three hundred and fifty persons and has rooms to accommodate the various classes. All the members of the Church in Berlin are watching the day by day progress with anxiety.

Nearly four hundred were present at a public meeting held in Hanover, Germany, on February 14th. Presidents Barker, Wunderlich, Stover and Sonne were the speakers. A spiritual feast was naturally the result of such an array of God's servants.

**WELFARE SHIPMENTS TO EUROPE TERMINATED.**— With the exception of one shipment of fats to the East-German Mission during 1950, the welfare assistance from the Church Headquarters to the Church members in European missions is completed. President Sonne recently met in conference with the Presidents of the East and West-German and Swiss-Austrian Missions and officials of the International Centre for Relief to Civilian Populations in Geneva where it was unanimously decided that no future welfare shipments to Europe would be needed with the exception of the shipment aforementioned. Any welfare assistance rendered to Church members in Europe will come through the efforts and results of members' production in their own welfare projects.

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## PRESIDENT SONNE RETURNS FROM FINAL CONTINENTAL VISIT.

—President and Sister Sonne have just returned to London from a three weeks' visit on the Continent where they visited the French, Swiss-Austrian, East and West German Missions. Inasmuch as President Sonne is returning to the United States on February 15th, this concludes his visits to the missions of Europe.

The highlight of the recent trip was the two days spent in Vienna, Austria. President and Sister Sonne and President and Sister James L. Barker of the French Mission, who accompanied the Sonnes, were greeted very cordially by the Vienna Saints who turned out in goodly numbers to hear their guests encourage them in the Gospel and bear testimony of the Restored Church. It was interesting to listen to President Barker describe Vienna while enroute there. He first served as a missionary in Vienna over forty-five years ago and could still remember the places and events that were peculiar to that cultural place. Today there is a thriving branch in Vienna which was not the case when President Barker first entered that city carrying the message of the Gospel restoration.

President Sonne and party also met with the missionaries of the East and West German Missions in Frankfurt and Hanover. This is the first oppor-



# BRITISH



# MISSION

## *Arrivals and Assignments*

Elder Harold M. Dougal was appointed president of the Newcastle District on January 15th.

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## *Releases*

Elder Keith B. Shelton was released as a missionary to the British Mission on the 3rd of January. Elder Shelton was transferred from the Palestine-Syrian Mission to the British Mission where he laboured in the Birmingham District.

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## *District Activities*

### **BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT**

Reported by Florence Blackman

There has been a grand procession of parties and celebrations in Birmingham District during the Christmas season. In Nuneaton on December 14th a Christmas party was attended by about 80 members and friends. Father Christmas was present and obligingly provided everyone with a gift. The Relief Society as usual did the honours and prepared snacks. At the same time they put on a bazaar.

The Primary of Kidderminster gave a party on December 16th when about 50 children sat down to tea. They then put on a first-rate show for their parents and once again Father Christmas came, taking his part well. The adult party was held on December 29th. The chapel was beautifully decorated by the members. The candle-lit tables were filled with good food which was served by Sisters Bradley and Spilsbury. Afterwards everyone enjoyed the programme given by the M.I.A. Sister Hazel Stevens has been released as president of the Relief Society, and Sister Ruth Wil-

liams was sustained in her place.

Wolverhampton also held a very successful party which, alas, is now only a memory. The members met at the local Friends Hall which was loaned for the occasion.

The Northampton Branch programme was held under the supervision of Sister Gwen Halford and the missionaries. Stockings full of sweets, nuts and gum were presented to everyone.

The Birmingham Branch Sunday School party was held on December 10th. A grand Christmas Pageant was followed by lots of games. There was plenty of food provided including scrumptious trifles and cakes. Then on December 17th a concert was held at the Handsworth chapel. Entertaining skits were provided by the missionaries in each district who were, as usual, at the top of their form. Also the Birmingham M.I.A. put over an unusually fine one-act play. Then as a climax to the fun Santa Claus appeared (strongly resembling Elder Salo) who presented popcorn balls to all.

## BRISTOL DISTRICT

Reported by Derwin J. Orgill

On December 19th the Bournemouth Branch presented a Christmas nativity play under the direction of Mr. Henry Street with excellent results. On January 9th a branch social was held at the Kimberley Hall, Bournemouth. An unexpected crowd of 55 people attended the party and joined in on the games and refreshments.

The annual District M.I.A. Gold and Green Ball was held at the Grand Hotel in Bristol on January 7th. President Boyer and Mrs. Boyer, with President M. Russ Ballard of the mission presidency were in attendance. The Queens representing the branches of the district were: Jennifer Middleton, Cheltenham; Gillian Halliday, Stroud; and Monica Armstrong, Bristol. During the intermission a floor show was presented, showing great talent in dancing and singing. Miss Jennifer Middleton was chosen as queen of the ball, with President Boyer officiating in the coronation ceremony. To the 150 present the dance was a complete success. Elder C. B. Sainsbury was the master of ceremonies.



The Sunday School and Primary of the Bristol Branch held a Christmas party on January 14th at the Zion Road hall in Bristol. During the course of the evening games were played and refreshments were served, followed by a surprise pantomime presented by the members of the branch.

The Christmas holidays were full of activity for the members in Cheltenham. Particularly fine was the performance of the Primary and Sunday School production of the nativity play, "The Light of the World." This was presented on Christmas Day.

The Plymouth Branch Sunday School was organised under the direction of President Richard D. Lambert on November 6th. Elder Robert L. Wolz was sustained as Sunday School superintendent. Since that time the organisation has grown rapidly.

We also hear from Plymouth that

Elders Plant and Wolz are teaching a boys' club how to play basketball. The supervisors of the Astor Institute are very interested and pleased with the progress the elders have made with them.

## HULL DISTRICT

Reported by Betty Pashby

The 20th of December was quite a big night for the Hull M.I.A. A large crowd of members and investigators assembled for a drama and musical evening. The one-act comedy play "Pot Luck" was presented with great success and as an added feature a short skit was given by Elders Swan, Roberts, Ainscough and McLure. Hilda Twidale sang a Christmas carol and Ann Utley played the recorder. Mrs. Vera Thistleton gave a humorous monologue and the audience entered in by singing Christmas carols. Games and dancing ended a very pleasant evening.

On the 23rd of December the Primary children put on a Christmas pageant. Poems were given by Ann Green and Eileen Pashby and to bring the successful evening to a close the children and audience sang carols.

A very lovely service was held on Christmas morning. Trevor and Allen Kennington and Ann Utley recited poems and the children sang carols. Two beautiful Christmas stories were told by Vera Thistleton and Elder E. Roberts.

With the festive season comes parties. Three days after Christmas approximately 40 children attended a Sunday School party. After tea, Santa Claus visited the children and gave each a present. This was followed by games and refreshments.

Sunday, January 1st, was set aside for a Genealogical evening. Sister Vera Thistleton presided. Speakers were Sister Marion Barrett, Elder McLure and President Allen M. Swan.

The little Primary children had been looking forward to the 4th of January because it was to be their Christmas party. Their great expectations were well satisfied for there were plenty of good things to eat, games to play and prizes to be won. As they left the party the thirty children received gifts

of sweets, generously provided by the mother of District President Allen M. Swan and Brother and Sister A. E. Ransom who emigrated to the United States last February.

In January a Friday the 13th social was presented in Hull. The decorations of the hall were most appropriate. Superstition was portrayed with open umbrellas, black cats, spilt salt and bright green garlands. This was indeed a memorable occasion, being the farewell visit of President and Sister Boyer. An excellent programme was arranged in their honour by the M.I.A. The play "Pot Luck" was presented again. Elder Swan gave a piano solo and Vera Thistleton presented two humorous sketches. Brother Utley was equally humorous with two character studies in mime. President and Sister Boyer were presented with an inscribed dinner gong from the Hull Branch and a biscuit barrel from the Grimsby Branch. A few words of appreciation were expressed by President and Sister Boyer. Games and refreshments made the evening complete. Eighty-five people were in attendance.

A very happy social was held in Scarborough on December 29th when the Primary children were entertained at a party. After an enjoyable tea, games were played and prizes were given. This party was followed by an adult get-together. So now watch out for news from Scarborough.

#### **IRISH DISTRICT**

**Reported by John L. Crockett**

The members of the Dublin Branch enjoyed themselves immensely over the holidays. The Sunday School held a children's party, much to the delight of the children. There were special refreshments for them and to top it off Santa Claus paid a visit. He had presents for all, with lots of balloons and sweets. A "sticky" time was had by all concerned.

Not to be outdone, the M.I.A. held a Christmas party also. Under the direction of Michael McAleer and Pat Richardson, a well-organised programme was presented. There were plenty of games in which all took part and an ample supply of refreshments was available. Another visit was had from Santa Claus. Preparatory to the party a name drawing had taken place.

Each member of the M.I.A. drew a name for whom he was to purchase a humorous gift costing not more than 2s. 6d. Santa Claus passed them out. Needless to say, some of the gifts were quite extraordinary, ranging from baby bottles to dog houses and toy trumpets to doll washboards. It was a great success. The M-Men put on a demonstration of how not to make a Christmas pudding. They really got "wrapped up" in their demonstration. The group of thirty-five who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The Relief Society has been organised once again after the return of their president, Mrs. Brenner. She has recently returned from a visit to America where she attended the wedding of her daughter. Relief Society meetings are being held on Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m. with a good attendance.

The Belfast M.I.A. has been going along very fine. They held two successful parties over the holidays. At the parties there were games, dancing and refreshments. The funds that were raised from the parties were turned over to the Branch to be used for the baptismal font.

On December 17th, the Belfast Sunday School and Primary joined forces and held a children's Christmas party. Saint Nick was there in all his splendour and all the children received a small gift from him. The party was climaxed by the presentation of a small sack of sweets for each child.

The elders in Belfast have started to go to school again, only this time as instructors. They have had several requests to come and teach the boys in the different clubs and schools how to play basketball. A match was held with a group of Belfast athletic instructors. The elders were victorious. They have several other games scheduled.

The elders have decided to call themselves the Pioneers. The Relief Society sisters volunteered their services in making numbers and embroidering insignia for their jerseys. Their colours are red, white and blue.

#### **LEEDS DISTRICT**

**Reported by Norah Stephenson**

Christmas has been a busy time for all the members and friends of the



district. It came early to the children of Castleford. On the 7th of December a lovely party was held at the home of Mrs. Schofield for the very young members and great interest was shown in a cake made to look like an engine. The children were delighted to light the candles and watch the engine begin to smoke. A present from the Christmas tree was the cause of great excitement and rounded off a very happy evening. Tired, but happy, they went off home looking forward more than ever to Christmas Eve.

A Scout and Beehive party was held at the branch hall and was certainly enjoyed by all present. Judging by the creaking of the steps as they set off for home they were considerably heavier than when they arrived. This was believed to be the result of the fine refreshments provided. There was also a present for each one at the party which was cause of delight for young and old alike.

The M.I.A. is growing rapidly in this branch. A Scout group and Beehive class have recently been organised and are being well attended.

The Dewsbury Sunday School organised a social and nativity play. There was a party in the Halifax Branch on Christmas Eve; also one on New Year's Eve.

Four evenings of Christmas week were well spent by many of the members who went carol singing in four branches of the district. Many homes were visited and certainly many hearts must have been lifted.

On December 17th a banquet was held in the Emporium Cafe in Bradford. It was held under the direction of the Leeds District Relief Societies and fifty were in attendance. It was organised under direction of District Relief Society Supervisor Mrs. Norah Moss. Mrs. Annie Wigglesworth, the Relief Society president of the Leeds Branch, acted as toastmistress. She gave a toast to President George Albert Smith and his associates. Other toasts were given by Mrs. Wormersley, Mrs. Kitty Laycock, Mrs. May Batty, Miss Beatrice Marsden, Miss Joan Emmins and Mrs. Wigglesworth. On the same evening a social and dance was held in the Bradford recreation hall, sponsored by the district Relief Societies. The proceeds were to be used for clothing and

towels for baptismal use in the district. The programme was arranged by Mrs. Norah Moss and the lady M.C. and announcer for the social and dance was Miss Joan Emmins.

There were four parties held in the Bradford Branch during the Christmas season. They were sponsored by the Junior Girls, Beehive, Primary and Sunday School.

Elder Robert Smith has been sustained as president of the Castleford Branch.

The Dewsbury M.I.A. held a New Year's party which seemed to be well enjoyed by all the 32 in attendance.

We might mention that the Huddersfield Branch Sunday School is really progressing and growing. The Sunday School is completely organised. We might add that the branch is still without a hall or room. The Sunday School is held at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Buckley, the residence of the missionaries.

## LIVERPOOL DISTRICT

Reported by Ruth Peel

On Saturday evening, January 7th, the Liverpool Branch M.I.A. went to the Philharmonic Hall to hear a performance of the "Messiah" by the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra and Choir. This was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

On Thursday, January 5th, a farewell social was held for Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith who sailed for Zion on the 7th of January. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are going out to join their daughter who is in California.

On December 20th the Burnley Branch M.I.A. held its Christmas banquet. The room was gaily decorated with green, red, and white streamers, and the tables with miniature Christmas tree, candles and holly. Games followed.

On December 28th the Burnley Branch Primary and Sunday School children presented a Christmas concert for their parents and friends. Awards were given to the children of both auxiliaries with the best attendance records. Father Christmas



arrived with sweets, gum, chocolate and balloons for all.

Socials held by the Aaronic Priesthood and the M.I.A. have been among the activities of Preston Branch in the past month.

January 2nd was the day of the annual Preston Branch Christmas party. Forty-four children and 15 adults enjoyed an excellent tea. Father Christmas appeared with gifts of toys and sweets for all. The Branch President George Jamieson presented the prizes awarded for good attendance during 1949. It was a very tired but happy group that said goodnight at the close of a most memorable evening.



The members of the Wigan Relief Society certainly deserve an orchid for the record they have made. On December 3rd at their outstanding sale of work they brought in over £42. Congratulations!

The spirit of Christmas was made even more enjoyable when the children of Wigan Branch Primary presented a lovely pageant on Christmas night.

The saying goes that children should be seen but not heard. The Primary children of Nelson Branch proved that this is not always true. December 20th was the big night when they presented the pageant "The Light of the World." Much credit for their success should be given to Edith Slater for her wise direction.

## LONDON DISTRICT

Reported by Jean Silsbury

During this festive season we have had many parties in the London District. Perhaps the most outstanding were those for the children. On Saturday, December 11th, the Gravesend Branch Sunday School and Primary combined to give a party. It was organised under the direction of Mr. F. G. Shears. The food was prepared by the Relief Society sisters and the high point of the evening was the arrival

of Father Christmas to present each child with a gift. North London Branch held a party on December 22nd, the funds for which were raised by a jumble sale on December 3rd at which a total of £8 was raised. There were forty children at the South London party on December 31st. The children sat down to a fine spread and after this were entertained by a short programme prepared mainly by themselves. Each child received sweets, a balloon and a gift from the beautifully decorated tree.

The M.I.A.'s have also had several socials during Christmas. The Oxford Branch held a party at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan on December 20th where everyone entered into the festivities. Gifts were presented from the laden tree and refreshments were prepared by the members. South London Branch presented a musical programme on December 20th under the direction of Elder M. Bennett. There were solos, quartette numbers and choral items woven around the Christmas theme and narrated by Murial Tate.

The Oxford Branch showed their appreciation to Elder Benson on December 6th for his year of service there by throwing a party for him. Elder Benson was the first missionary in the Oxford area and in honour of this he was presented with a book of Shakespeare's plays.

Among the gatherings held to welcome the New Year was a dance at the South London Branch chapel on January 3rd, sponsored by the M.I.A., with the music provided by the M.I.A.'s own 3-piece band. Oxford held a masked ball on January 9th.

On Sunday, January 15th, a reorganisation of the South London Branch took place. Branch President H. G. Bickerstaff was released and District President Quinn McKay expressed appreciation to him for his fine work and a vote of thanks was extended to him and his counsellor. With him all officers and teachers were released. The following were sustained to their branch offices: Elder M. C. Nalder, branch president; Andrew Demaine and Moses Leese, first and second counsellors; Richard Sansom and Stan Milton, clerks; H. G. Bickerstaff, Sunday School superintendent; Jean B. Darling,

Primary Mother; Elder B. Beazer, Y.M.M.I.A. president; Jean Silsbury, Y.W.M.I.A. president.

On January 1st the Catford Branch was reorganised. President F. Neal was released from the office of branch president and thanked for his many years of service. The following were sustained in their respective positions: Elder J. K. Lawrence, branch president; Mr. Wood and Mr. Hamilton as counsellors; and Mr. Neal as clerk; Mrs. S. Wood as Relief Society president; and Elder J. Ashton as Sunday School superintendent.

## MANCHESTER DISTRICT

Reported by George A. Taylor.

The activities of the Bury Branch caused much excitement at Christmas time. On December 21st a social was held with 45 in attendance. Elders Beck and Stewart officiated. The Primary children's party, which gathered 45 children, was a great success. The play called "The Nativity" was presented and Father Christmas gave to all sweets and presents. Thanks are due to Sisters Heyes and Dewsnap for the preparations.

One hundred and eighty-five people attended the Gold and Green Ball held at the Res Ballroom in Stockport. Here the retiring queen, Sister Marvis Taylor of Denton, was replaced by Sister Joan Waddington of Rochdale. Dancing to soft lights and sweet music was a good beginning to the festive occasion.

The M.I.A. organised a hike to Kinder Downfall and Kinder kept up its reputation; however a steady downfall of rain failed to dampen the spirits of the soaked but hardy hikers.

The branch conference on January 8th was well attended and all the speakers gave interesting and instructive talks.

Hyde Branch, with its potato pie supper and social held at the home of

Brother Woodruff, opened the holiday season in great spirits. Briton Beverly organised games and entertainment. After the scrumptious feast, the M.I.A. proceeded to the Saints' homes singing carols until the early hours of the morning.

The stalwarts of the Denton Branch M.I.A. went carol singing on Christmas Eve. Their singing was much appreciated by the friends and members for whom they sang.

The annual Christmas social was held at Rochdale on Christmas Eve and was well attended. Father Christmas arrived in full splendour, complete with socks, and gave a present to all, after which the M.I.A. went carol singing. The M.I.A. on New Year's Eve went to a show and afterwards held a social.

## NEWCASTLE DISTRICT

Reported by Evelyn Young

A farewell social was held at Darlington Branch on November 28th in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Dinsdale and Mr. and Mrs. Wappett who emigrated to America on December 12th. Each family was presented with a suitable gift as a token of esteem. This same branch held a social on January 2nd when Primary children and parents were entertained to supper by the Relief Society sisters. Joan Carbert directed a programme of poems and carol singing, and the missionaries supervised the games.

On December 14th a priesthood convention was held in the Sunderland Branch. President F. W. Oates conducted and President M. Russ Ballard was in attendance. The 25 males present enjoyed the service and also the opportunity to discuss problems connected with priesthood activity. Elder H. M. Dougal rendered a solo entitled "Bless This House."

Fifty-four members of the West Hartlepool Branch, including Scouts and Beehives, attended an M.I.A. social on December 14th. Refreshments were provided by Relief Society sisters.

Mr. Sidney Almond has been sustained as second counsellor in the West Hartlepool Branch presidency and Mr. William R. Ions as second counsellor in the Newcastle City Branch presidency.

On December 22nd, twenty-five Sunday School children of the Middlesbrough Branch were entertained to tea at the home of their branch president and his wife. Each child was presented with an orange, grapes and small presents.

The West Hartlepool Branch held their Sunday School Christmas treat on December 28th at which the pupils were presented with prizes by Superintendent Robert Short. The South Shields Branch has also held its Christmas party under the direction of Misses Alma Thompson and E. Wakefield, gifts being distributed throughout the evening. During the past months the funds for the Relief Society of the branch have greatly increased through members holding a Relief Society sale of work.

Mrs. Myrtle Robertson of South Shields for the past three years has been soloist at weekday meetings of the New York and Monkseaton Methodist churches. Mr. Robertson has accompanied his wife as pianist. They have had the opportunity to discuss the principles of the Church with these people and have distributed much literature. Best wishes are extended to them in this opportunity to preach the Gospel to others.

On Boxing Day the Sunday School children of Sunderland Branch enjoyed their annual social under the direction of Superintendent W. W. France. Games were directed by Misses G. Quayle and G. Wright. A special feature of the entertainment was a giant Christmas tree lit up with fairy lamps from which each child received a present. Lollipops and gum received from the Sunday Schools in America were much appreciated. This event was followed by an adult social directed by Elders H. M. Dougal and B. McGuire.

December 27th found the missionaries having their Christmas party which was followed by a show, dinner and games.

Over 100 members and friends of this district gathered together in Sunderland chapel to hear President Selvoy J. Boyer address them. This was their opportunity to wish President Boyer farewell. Mrs. Marjorie Cuthbertson aptly put into words the way everyone feels for President and

Sister Boyer by reading a poem which was specially written for the occasion. Other speakers during the evening were President M. R. Ballard, President F. W. Oates, Elders J. L. Fisher and H. M. Dougal. To President and Sister Boyer we all say "Au Revoir." God bless you both.

During the above meeting District President F. W. Oates and his counsellors were released from office with a sincere vote of thanks for all their efforts in the past. Elders H. M. Dougal and B. McGuire were sustained as district president and district clerk, respectively.

### NORWICH DISTRICT Reported by Brenda Billings

On the 29th of December Elders Jackson, Kirkham, Mann, Bennett, Anderson and Thornock played a very hard game of basketball with the soldiers' garrison team from Colchester. This team had been unbeaten until they were overcome by the missionaries who won 50-38. High point for the evening was Elder Jackson. Many fine contacts and friends were made.

The branch at Cambridge was closed on December 11th. Elders Grant Anderson and J. Bennett were moved from there to Ipswich and an inspiring meeting was held there. Eleven people attended the first meeting. A branch was organised with Elder Anderson as branch president. The prospects in this town appear to be very good.

On January 7th the children's



Christmas party was held in the Norwich chapel. A wonderful time was had by the 80 children and adults who attended. Lollipops, candy and crackers were given to the children as

well as an abundance of food.

On January 13th in the Norwich chapel a priesthood and Relief Society party was held. Approximately 45



people were present. A fine programme was arranged and also a very good dinner was arranged by Sister Edith Parlett, Relief Society president.

### **NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT** Reported by Eva Collard

On December 22nd a Christmas M.I.A. social was held at the Mansfield Branch with 23 members and friends attending. They entered into the festive spirit by singing Christmas carols. An enjoyable evening was had by all. The Mansfield Saints had a Sunday School and Primary children's party on January 14th. Forty-three children attended. In the evening prizes were presented to the Sunday School children for good attendance throughout the year. A programme was presented by the children to the fourteen adults attending.

Members of the Derby Branch, under the direction of Elder Doral Thacker, visited the houses of investigators and friends on December 23rd and rendered carols. The Christmas spirit was prevalent wherever they went, and an enjoyable time was had by all.

On Tuesday, December 20th, the Primary of the Leicester Branch entertained an audience of members and friends at a Christmas concert. The highlight of the evening was a pageant "The Light of the World." On Saturday, January 4th, forty young members of the Leicester Branch Primary and Sunday School were entertained at a New Year's party. The same evening about fifty-five people gathered together at a social in honour of Sister Jean M. Parker who is leaving Leicester to continue her singing studies in London. Everyone had a good time and were glad of the opportunity to show their appreciation to "our Jean" for her fine work and to wish her success in her future work.

On Tuesday, December 20th, the Primary children of the Nottingham Branch were entertained by Primary Mother Louise Cook at a Christmas party. The evening was spent in playing games and singing Christmas carols, after which refreshments were served. Saturday, January 14th, Nottingham Branch held their reunion dinner. A smashing ham dinner was served to the fifty members and friends attending. Sister Edith Shephard and Sister Maud Hewitt were presented gifts for being the two oldest branch

members present, and Sister Rhoda Tinson for having the most children in attendance at the dinner. A programme was presented after the dinner, consisting of numbers by the barber-shop quartette composed of Elders Doral Thacker, Warren G. Astin, Thomas E. Young and Norville Craven, under the direction of Elder Thacker. A skit under the direction of Jean Russell was given by Pat Adams and Alma Tinson, trumpet solos were presented by Elder Young, and Percy Evans played a few request numbers on the piano. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

### **SCOTTISH DISTRICT** Reported by Margaret Yardley

A skating expedition to Dunferline Ice Rink was the cause of many bumps and bruises to the members of the Edinburgh Branch on Saturday, December 8th. It was a very hungry party that arrived at the "Fireside Meeting" that night but after digging into refreshments prepared by Sisters Hamilton and Critchfield, we were ready to hear the lesson and have a go at the quiz prepared for us.

On December 20th a special Christmas programme was presented by the Airdrie M.I.A. young people's group. Two one-act plays and several songs were given by quartettes and choruses. Several investigators were attracted by the show and it was a real success.

On December 22nd a combined Christmas party for the Primary and Sunday School organisations was held in the Airdrie Branch. About thirty were present.

Christmas Eve was the date of the branch annual party. A good crowd came out and all helped to make the games, dancing and eats a great success. After the party all those who were able, attended a midnight service in a local parish church.

Since the start of the New Year there has seemed to be a pick-up in attendance and determination to make the branches prosper.

### **SHEFFIELD DISTRICT** Reported by Arvilla Smith

A Christmas party for the M.I.A. members was held in the Sheffield Latter-day Saint hall on December 20th. Refreshments were pooled and

served after an enjoyable programme presented by each of the branch M.I.A. groups. Games and dancing followed.

Missionaries and members of the Sheffield M.I.A. enjoyed carol singing on Christmas Eve. Subscriptions for the M.I.A. fund were received.

A special Christmas day programme arranged by the Sunday School and branch officers was held in the Latter-day Saint chapel on December 25th. There was carol singing and Christmas stories were told.

On New Year's Eve, the Sheffield Branch Relief Society served a dinner to 40 guests. A social evening followed with games and dancing arranged by Relief Society sisters.

A Christmas party for the Beehive girls of the Sheffield Branch was held in the home of Miss Arvilla Smith on January 6th. Tea was served to twelve guests. Popcorn and fruit sherbert was enjoyed for refreshments.

The Doncaster Branch held their Christmas party on December 21st in

the Latter-day Saint hall which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The attendance of many members and friends made it an enjoyable affair. Thanks to the branch presidency a similar party for the Sunday School under the direction of Mrs. Maud Harbon was held on the 22nd of December. Refreshments were served and the children received dolls, books and other interesting gifts for their good attendance during the year.

## WELSH DISTRICT

The Welsh missionaries and members had the privilege of meeting at Cardiff on the night of January 8th and in one accord bidding goodbye to our good friend and mission president, Selvoy J. Boyer, and his good wife. Their help to us, both individually and collectively, has been great, and our appreciation is heartfelt.

On the following morning the missionaries held a meeting at the Royal Hotel. Here helpful advice was received from President Boyer.

## Personals

### BAPTISMS

Name	Baptised by	Confirmed by
<b>BRISTOL DISTRICT</b>		
December 18th		
Joseph W. Hall of Bournemouth	Elder A. R. Jackson	Elder D. J. Orgill
Lilian M. Hutchins of B'mouth	Elder R. D. Lambert	Elder G. L. Mitton
Vera P. Kilbey of Bournemouth	Elder R. D. Lambert	Elder M. H. Johnson
<b>HULL DISTRICT</b>		
December 12th		
Minnie Jones of Hull	Elder A. M. Swan	Elder N. G. Ainscough
January 8th		
E. M. Quickfall	Elder Dee Hipwell	Elder R. Wheeler
Harry M. Schofield of S'borough	Elder R. D. Parry	Elder A. M. Swan
Elizabeth C. Schofield of S'borough	Elder R. D. Parry	Elder W. M. Webster
Ann E. Schofield of Scarborough	Elder R. D. Parry	Elder N. G. Ainscough
Elizabeth L. E. Crosby of S'borough	Elder N. G. Ainscough	Elder C. J. Flake
Sylvia Crosby of Scarborough	Elder N. G. Ainscough	Elder R. D. Parry
Gerald Wm. Crosby of S'borough	Elder N. G. Ainscough	Elder R. C. Wheeler
Thomas E. Crosby of S'borough	Elder W. M. Webster	Elder N. G. Ainscough
Florence L. Crosby of S'borough	Elder W. M. Webster	Elder A. M. Swan
Patricia C. Schofield of S'borough	Elder W. M. Webster	Elder C. J. Flake
<b>BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT</b>		
December 17th		
Gladys A. L. Green	Elder R. R. Salo	Elder K. L. Hatch
Edwin N. Green	Elder R. R. Salo	Elder G. R. Hardy

Name	Baptised by	Confirmed by
<b>LIVERPOOL DISTRICT</b>		
December 16th		
Benjamin J. Curwen of Preston	Elder J. C. Hamilton	Elder O. L. Rider
Thomas C. Wright of Wigan	Elder J. B. Green	Elder R. M. Haynie
Joan Alfreds of Liverpool	Elder S. B. Nebeker	Elder E. C. Evans
November 13th		
Edwin R. Astin, Jr. of Accrington	Edwin R. Astin	Edwin R. Astin
Doreen Woolf of Preston	Elder E. M. Gardner	Elder J. C. Hamilton
Violet Gregson of Preston	Elder E. M. Gardner	Elder E. M. Gardner
Vera Gregson of Preston	Elder E. M. Gardner	Elder E. M. Gardner
John Woolf of Preston	Elder E. M. Gardner	George G. Jamieson
Freda J. Smith of Preston	Harold Corless	Harold Corless
Orlando D. Robertson of A'rington	Elder M. D. Sessions	Elder M. D. Sessions
Mabel Robertson of Accrington	Elder M. D. Sessions	Elder Russell Olson
<b>NORWICH DISTRICT</b>		
December 17th		
John Kennedy of Cambridge	Elder G. W. Anderson	Elder J. C. Bennett
Sheila L. M. Fowlds of Lowestoft	Elder C. R. Oniones	Elder W. Palfreyman
Jean E. Fowlds of Lowestoft	Elder M. R. Snow	Elder M. R. Snow
January 1st		
Rosina Futter of Norwich	Tom Watts	Tom Watts
January 14th		
Roda Fuller Lynch	Elder N. V. King	Elder S. C. Mann
Janice R. G. Watson of Lowestoft	Elder C. R. Oniones	Elder W. Palfreyman
John Edward Watling	Albert E. Watling	Elder N. V. King

## BIRTHS

**CROSBY.** — Christine Hazel and George Edward Crosby of Scarborough were blessed on the 8th of January by Elders A. M. Swan and R. C. Wheeler, respectively.

**GREEN.** — Leslie Brian Green was blessed by Kenneth F. Bennett and Margaret Green was blessed by Elder Douglas Wallace at Nuneaton on January 1st.

**SKINNER.**—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Skinner of the Eastwood Branch was born on November 24th and was blessed by Elder Ralph Crystal on January 1st and given the name of Brian Reginald.

**YOUNG.**—On December 10th Lorna, daughter of Mrs. Young, was blessed by Elder Barratt in the Oxford Branch.

**SMITH.**—Judith Linda Smith, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith of the Sheffield Branch, was born on November 30th and blessed on January 8th by Elder Thomas E. Brammer.

**BAILEY.** — Diana Bailey, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bailey of the Sheffield Branch, was born on November 30th and blessed on December 25th by District President David E. Gledhill.

## MARRIAGES

**GENT-MORRIS.** — On the 29th of October Nora Gent and Arnold Morris, both of Liverpool Branch, were united in wedlock. A reception was held in the Liverpool chapel after the wedding. Many relatives and friends attended.

## EMIGRATIONS

**JAMES.**—Mrs. Freda James and her son and daughter, all of the Liverpool Branch, sailed for America on November 23rd.

**SMITH.** — Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Smith of the Liverpool Branch sailed for America on January 7th. They are going to join their daughter who is in California.



## DEATHS

**RANSOM.**—On the 24th of January Sister Mary Ransom of the Hull District passed away at the age of 33 years after a long illness. Funeral services were held on December 28th.

**PERCY.**—Mrs. G. Percy passed away at her home in Edinburgh on November 18th after a short illness. Funeral services were conducted by Elder D. R. Campbell and the grave was dedicated by Elder K. M. Tingey.

**ALDERSON.**—Mrs. Alderson of the

West Hartlepool Branch passed away on January 3rd.

**WATTS.**—Alice Watts of Laindon, Essex, was buried on January 3rd. Services were conducted by Elder M. C. Nalder with the family and friends in attendance.

**BECKINGHAM.**—Charles Beckingham of the South London Branch was buried at the Forest Hill Cemetery on Friday, January 6th. The service was conducted by District President Quinn McKay. Young Charles was killed in a road accident on December 29th.

## THE CHURCH IN EUROPE

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**MISSIONARIES MARK CHRISTMAS WITH CAROLS.**—This Christmas Season which just terminated saw the missionaries in all the missions of Europe engaged in singing carols of the hallowed event. From Northern Norway to the Cape of Good Hope and back to the Near East many opportunities of propagating the Gospel were had by the European missionaries as they went from place to place singing carols. A missionary chorus in Paris gave no less than twelve different programmes during Christmas to such places as the American and British Embassies and hospitals and France-

America clubs. Carols were sung by missionaries near the country where the Master came into the world according to recent word from President Piranian of the Palestine-Syrian Mission. Wherever the various choruses' paths led them throughout the cities of Europe they were warmly received and the spirit offered by them was excellent.

On the 28th of December at Jakobstad, Finland, Church musical records were played over the radio and the history of the Church was presented which was an additional opportunity of spreading the message of the Restored Church.

## A HOUSE?—OR A HOME?

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Place in covered container until cold. Clean small strip at a time, folding over as it becomes soiled.

### Linoleum Cleaner

- 1 cup soap flakes
- 1 quart hot water
- 1 cup cleaning solvent
- 1 quart hot milk

Combine in order given. This will remove the most stubborn soil and will leave the linoleum smooth and glossy. No need for waxing and polishing.

## HANDY HINTS

When furniture gets scratched, just

shell an ordinary walnut, pull off the hard outer covering and rub over the scratch. It will almost disappear.

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To clean a burnt aluminium saucepan, pour some water in it and add an onion. Set it on to boil, and soon all the burned matter will loosen and come to the top, leaving you pan clean and bright again.

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If you want to tint your curtains, just put your package dye in the washer with your soap and hot water. When curtains are washed clean, they will also be tinted an even colour.

## REVELATION

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the Lord Jesus Christ . . . For it seemed good unto us and to the Holy Ghost, to lay upon you no greater burden than . . .” (Acts 15: 22-29)

Revelation, by heavenly messenger, by dream, and by the Holy Ghost, was also necessary to guide them in their work; the teachings and revelations already received did not suffice: in a vision, Cornelius saw an angel of the Lord coming in to him and saying, “Send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter . . . he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.” And Peter in a “trance” saw a great sheet let down from heaven full of all manner of fourfooted beasts, etc., and “While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee. Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.” (Acts 10) Without this revelation, directing him to Cornelius, Peter would not have known that the Gospel was to be preached to the Gentiles.

By revelations, the apostles were also guided in their work, at times, by the Lord Himself; it was not enough that the Lord should have appeared to Paul on the way to Damascus, but, “Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace; For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city. And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.” (Acts 18: 9-11) “And it came to pass, that, when I was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance; And saw him saying unto me, Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.” “And he said unto me, Depart: for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.” (Acts 22: 17-30) The revelations given to all the prophets of the past, the teachings of the Saviour during His lifetime on earth, His

appearance to Paul on the way to Damascus — all of these — were insufficient to direct Paul in His work, and, as needed, the Lord directed him further.

Half a century after His resurrection, the Lord sent His angel unto His servant John the Apostle (The Revelation 1: 1) commanding him to write the things which he had “seen” and to send them forth to the churches of his day. (Revelation 1: 19)

Moreover these servants of the Lord, like the Old Testament prophets, had been chosen directly by the Lord or indirectly by Him, by revelation; for instance, “Now there was in the Church that was in Antioch certain prophets and teachers . . . As they ministered unto the Lord and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.” (Acts 13: 1-3)

Thus the choice of the servants of the Lord, and their direction by the Lord in their work, and the interpretation of doctrine, were all given by revelation. But soon, even in the interpretation of doctrine, all revelation was to cease. Thus, in deciding the quarrel about baptism, neither the bishop of Rome, nor any other bishop, nor anyone else, nor any council, received any revelation in the matter, nor, as far as known, did they seek it. At the council of Nicea, the quarrelling bishops did not ask for a divine revelation, but instead they sought for a formula that would protect, as they thought, the divinity of Jesus Christ; and, having found it, they and their opponents, sought, not divine approval, directly or indirectly, through anyone they considered as the head of His church, but the approval of the Roman emperor; and first one and then the other triumphed, over a period of more than three centuries, as this approval was obtained and lost.

When doctrines came to be interpreted, not by revelation, but by disputing councils; when the servants of the

Lord were no longer chosen by revelation, but by the nobility and kings; when they were no longer directed by revelation; and when men often bought religious office, frequently to do no church work of any kind; then the "deposit of faith" was largely lost, no ordinance escaped man-made changes and disunion and intolerance prevailed everywhere. Ignorance, superstition, and inhumanity led to the burning of witches and heretics.

When would revelation be given again? When the times were ripe and when someone with faith would ask God for it. What would be given? That which had been lost: the authority of the priesthood, the doctrines of the church—that "deposit of the faith," that no one any longer knew, the government of the church, the choice of its servants, and their divine direction. Of these, the authority of the priesthood, the doctrines and ordinances of the church and the church government were given to Joseph Smith and, unless lost, will never need to be given again; but revelation concerning the calling of the servants of the Lord, directing them in their work, and revelation revealing future events and the solving of the difficulties of the time will always be needed, in the future as in the past.

Is it possible to reject the revelation of one's time, without rejecting God who gave the revelation? Those who rejected Moses, but wanted to accept Abraham as a prophet of God, did they in rejecting Moses reject God? Abraham had not been sent to them, but to an earlier generation. For them, the will of the Lord had been made known to Moses and he had been

sent to them. When they rejected him, they rejected the Lord who sent him.

In the time of the Saviour, what of those who rejected Him as a "blasphemer," but who acknowledged Moses and the prophets? Could they reject Jesus without, at the same time, rejecting the Father who sent Him? And after the resurrection of the Saviour, could Jew or Gentile reject Peter and the apostles without rejecting the Father and the Son?

And now that the heavens have been opened again, can one reject the Lord's prophet and head of His Church, without rejecting the Lord who called him and who directs him in his work?

Men living in the time of Moses will be judged by their obedience or disobedience to the will of the Lord as made known through Moses. In the time of any prophet, they will be judged by the reception, they have accorded to that prophet and his message, because it was he who was sent of the Lord to them. In the present day, men will be judged by their reception of His servants calling them to repentance.

"In all periods of the world's history, revelation has been needed: revelation interpreting or giving new doctrine; revelation designating men to be called to the work of the Lord and directing them in their work; and prophecy. If revelation has not been given in all periods of the world's history, it is not because God is not willing at all times to guide His children, but because—as indicated by the parable of the vineyard—they have frequently rejected His prophets and refused to heed His commandments."

## IS THIS LIFE—DEATH ?

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questions. Never until now have men fully understood that actually this life we are now living will be closer to death than anything else a righteous person might experience because only during this time is he removed from the direct personal presence of God

the Father and His Son. And life in its greatest beauty and glory will begin with mortal death, just as this life began with being removed from God's presence.

Should death therefore be feared?

Only by those who have not prepared for it.



# LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

## Aberdeen:

11, Albyn Place.  
Sacrament Meeting 4.30

## Accrington:

97, Blackburn Road,  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Airdrie:

40, Hallcraig Street.  
Sunday School ... 1.0  
Sacrament Meeting 2.30

## Barnsley:

34, Victoria Road,  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Belfast:

13, The Mount,  
Sunday School ... 11.30  
Sacrament Meeting 7.0

## Birmingham:

23, Booth Street,  
Handsworth.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Blackburn:

4, Heaton Street,  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Bolton:

Spinner's Hall,  
St. George Road.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Bournemouth:

Fellowship Hall,  
11, Kimberley Road,  
West Southbourne.  
Sunday School ... 10.45  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Bradford:

Woodlands Street,  
Off City Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Brighton:

Moulscombe Hall,  
Lewes Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 4.30

## Bristol:

2, Zion Road,  
Off Stapleton Road.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Burnley:

1, Liverpool Road  
Rosegrove.  
Sunday School ... 2.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Bury:

Band Hall,  
Hampton Street,  
Radcliffe.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Cardiff:

May Street Institute.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Castleford:

85, Carlton Street.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Carlisle:

Trades Hall,  
Scotch Street,  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Cheltenham:

Waddon  
Community Centre,  
Sunday School ... 10.45  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Colchester:

Conservative Club,  
Museum Street,  
Off High Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Darlington:

Foresters Hall,  
151, High Northgate.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Denton (Manchester):

493, Manchester Road,  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Derby:

Unity Hall,  
Burton Road.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.15

## Dewsbury:

10, Oxford Road.  
Sunday School ... 11.15  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Doncaster:

3, Trafford Street.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Dublin:

29, Clare Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 7.0

## Dundee:

Masonic Hall,  
22, Barrack Street.  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Eastwood:

Church Street.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Edinburgh:

Ruskin House,  
15, Windsor Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Glasgow:

Christian Institute,  
70, Bothwell Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Gravesend:

142, Parrock Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Grimsby:

6, Migar House,  
Garth Lane  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Halifax:

25, Union Street.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Hucknall:

Byron Buildings,  
Oval Street,  
Market Square.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0

## Hull:

Corner of  
Wellington Lane and  
Berkeley Street.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

## Hyde:

Barnfield Academy,  
Market Street.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30

- Ilkeston:**  
Mikado Cafe,  
157 Bath Street.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Ipswich:**  
Labour Club (Rm. 3),  
Silent Street.  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Kidderminster:**  
Park Street.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Kilmarnock:**  
Co-operative Institute,  
Riccarton.  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Leeds:**  
Leeds City Museum,  
Park Row.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Leicester:**  
All Saints' Open,  
Great Central Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Lincoln:**  
Bracebridge  
Coop Hall,  
Manby Street.  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Liverpool:**  
301, Edge Lane,  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 5.0
- London:**  
149, Nightingale Lane,  
Balham, S.W.12.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30  
59, Clissold Road,  
London, N.16.  
Sunday School ... 10.15  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30  
Lewisham Town Hall,  
Catford, S.E.6.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 4.30
- Loughborough:**  
132, Station Street.  
Sunday School ... 2.0  
Sacrament Meeting 3.0
- Lowestoft:**  
20, Clapham Road.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Luton:**  
Dallow Road Hall,  
123, Dallow Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Mansfield:**  
39a, Albert Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Merthyr Tydfil:**  
Penyard Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Middlesbrough:**  
A.B.U. Hall,  
25, Abingdon Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Nelson:**  
26, Albert Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Newcastle City:**  
12, Eldon Square,  
Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
Sunday School ... 4.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Northampton:**  
89, St. Michael's Rd.  
Sunday School ... 10.45  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Norwich:**  
60, Park Lane,  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Nottingham:**  
28, Loughborough Rd.,  
West Bridgford.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.15
- Nuneaton:**  
Masonic Hall,  
Newdegate Street.  
Sunday School ... 3.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Oldham:**  
Neville Street,  
Chadderton.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Oxford:**  
Liberal Hall,  
George Street,  
Summertown, Oxford.  
Sunday School ... 4.45  
Sacrament Meeting 3.30
- Plymouth:**  
Peverall Cafe,  
Mutley Plain.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Pontypool:**  
Pontnewydd  
Ambulance Hall.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 4.15
- Preston:**  
44, Arenham Street,  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Reading:**  
Scout Hut.  
Sunday School ... 2.0  
Sacrament Meeting 3.0
- Rochdale:**  
Lower Sheriff Street.  
Sunday School ... 11.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Rotherham:**  
Rotherham Hall,  
Moorgate.  
Sunday School ... 4.0  
Evening Meeting 6.0
- Scarborough:**  
Roscoe Rooms,  
Roscoe Street.  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Sheffield:**  
Corner of Ellesmere  
and Lyons Road,  
Pitsmoor.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- South Shields:**  
160 Weston Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- St. Albans:**  
111, Charmouth Rd.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Stockport:**  
Textile Hall,  
Chestergate.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Stroud:**  
Liberal Hall,  
Lansdown.  
Sunday School ... 10.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Sunderland:**  
18, Tunstall Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Varteg (Pontypool):**  
Ambulance Hall,  
Hospital Road,  
Pontnewydd.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 4.15
- West Hartlepool:**  
15, Osborne Road.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 6.30
- Wigan:**  
6, Standishgate St.  
Sunday School ... 2.0  
Sacrament Meeting 6.0
- Wolverhampton:**  
Trade Union Hall.  
Sunday School ... 2.30  
Sacrament Meeting 4.30

# THE WORLD CARES LITTLE

**T**HE REFORMERS of the world are its men of mighty purpose. They are men with the courage of individual conviction, men who dare run counter to the criticism of inferiors, men who voluntarily bear crosses for what they accept as right, even without the guarantee of a crown.

If we are facing some great life ambition let us see if our heroic plans are good, high, noble and exalted enough for the price we must pay for their attainment. Let us seriously and honestly look into our needs, our abilities, our resources, our responsibilities, to assure ourselves that it is no mere passing whim that is leading us. Let us hear and consider all counsel, all light that may be thrown on every side, let us hear it as a judge on the bench listens to the evidence and then makes his own decision. The choice of a life-work is too sacred a responsibility to the individual to be lightly decided for him by others less thoroughly informed than himself. When we have weighed in the balance the mighty question and have made our decision, let us act, let us concentrate our lives upon that which we feel is supreme, and, never forsaking a real duty, never be diverted from the attainment of the highest things, no matter what honest price we may have to pay for their realisation and conquest.

The reformer must realise without a trace of bitterness that the busy world cares little for his struggles, it cares only to joy in his final triumph; it will share his feasts but not his fasts. Christ was alone in Gethsemane, but—at the sermon in the wilderness, where food was provided, the attendance was four thousand.

The world is honest enough in its attitude. It takes time for the world to realise, to accept, and to assimilate a large truth. Since the dawn of history, the great conservative spirit of every age, that ballast that keeps the world in poise, makes the slow acceptance of great truths an essential for its safety. It wisely requires proof, clear, absolute, undeniable attestation, before it fully accepts. Sometimes the perfect enlightenment takes years, sometimes generations.

Truth, with time as its ally, always wins in the end. The knowledge of inappreciation, the coldness, and the indifference of the world, should never make you pessimistic. They should inspire you with that large, broad optimism that sees that all the opposition of the world can never keep back the triumph of truth, that your work is so great that the petty jealousies, misrepresentations, and hardships caused by those around you, dwindle into nothingness. If you want great things, pay the price like a man.

—By WILLIAM G. JORDAN